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SUBJECT: PRESS PLAY OF EUROPEAN COMMISSION COMPLAIN ABOUT
NEW LICENSING PROCEDURES FOR NUCLEAR MATERIALS

REF: EC BRUSSELS 3268 PARIS 9256

1. APRIL 11 PRESS BRIEFING BY EUROPEAN COMMUNITY
COMMISSION DEPUTY SPOKESMAN WAS GENERALLY OBJECTIVE
STATEMENT OF SIMONET'S CONCERN ABOUT MARCH 31 NRC
DECISION TO REVIEW LICENSING PROCEDURES. SPOKESMAN
SAID "SITUATION SHOULD NOT BE OVERDRAMATIZED", BUT
EUROPEAN DEPENDENCE ON US SUPPLY SO GREAT THAT
SIMONET FELT OBLIGED TO TAKE UP MATTER WITH US
REPRESENTATIVES.

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2. IN CONVERSATIONS APRIL 11-14 WITH BRITISH, FRENCH
AND GERMAN JOURNALISTS I EXPLAINED BACKGROUND OF NRC
DECISION: GROWING AWARENESS OF PUBLIC AND LEGISLATORS
(IN US AND ALSO IN EUROPE) OF NEED FOR SAFEGUARDS AND

JUSTIFIABLE DETERMINATION OF NRC TO BE SAFER THAN SORRY.
I EMPHASIZED NO EMBARGO, MERELY SUSPENSION OF LICENSING
WHILE PROCEDURES UNDER REVIEW.

3. EXTENSIVE PLAY IN EUROPEAN PRESS, EXCEPT FOR LE
MONDE STORY BY BRUSSELS CORRESPONDENT LEMAITRE,
EMPHASIZED SIMONET REASONS BUT GAVE ACCURATE ACCOUNT
OF NRC ACTION. LEMAITRE WROTE HIS "EMBARGO", "RUPTURE
OF CONTRACT", "MAYBE USSR MORE RELIABLE SOURCE THAN US"
STORY BEFORE EC COMMISSION SPOKESMAN'S BRIEFING ON
BASIS SIMONET APRIL 10 STATEMENT TO EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENT, PLUS USUAL MASSAGING BY LEMAITRE'S GAULLIST
FRIENDS IN BRUSSELS. IN CONVERSATION WITH ME APRIL 12
LEMAITRE AGREED THAT HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN MORE ACCURATE
IF HE HAD HAD BENEFIT OF EC COMMISSION SPOKESMAN'S
BRIEFING. TYPICALLY, THOUGH, LEMAITRE WISHED TO
DISMISS DISTINCTION BETWEEN "EMBARGO" AND "SUSPENSION
OF LICENSING" AS "MERE JURIDICAL POINT OF LITTLE
SUBSTANCE".

4. QUESTION I HAVE FOUND MOST DIFFICULT TO ANSWER IS
"IS IT TRUE, AS SIMONET SAYS, THAT THERE WAS NO PRIOR
CONSULTATION--AND WHY NOT, SINCE THIS WAS US
COMPLAINT DURING YEAR OF EUROPE?"
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